[8th August 1955

Regeneration work in Sundarapatti village

* 2014 Q.—SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the expenditure incurred by the Government on the regeneration work in Sundarapatti village, Pulvayal Vattam, Kolathur taluk, Pudukkottai division, Tiruchirappalli district;

(b) when the work was begun; and

(c) what are the primary results?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:—" (a) An expenditure amounting to Rs. 1,873–7–6 has been incurred.

" (b) On 25th May 1953.

" (c) The plantation in general is not a success due to the interference by the villagers residing in the vicinity of Sundarapatti as well as to natural causes such as paucity of rain in the year of planting."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN:—" In view of this work at this spot being the bone of acute contention between the officials and the villagers concerned, was not the Hon. Minister invited to visit the spot to form an unbiassed opinion about it?"

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM:—" I have discussed this matter with the officers concerned on a representation from some of the people when I visited Pudukkottai. I had no doubt that certain villagers also had behaved very badly. They had even sought to remove the seedlings. Anyhow I have asked the department to get the whole matter examined and see how this area could be demarcated."

Balussery Producers'-cum-Consumers' Co-operative Society, Limited.

* 2015 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP: Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Balusseri Producers'-*cum*-Consumers' Co-operative Society, Limited, North Malabar, has now been superseded; and

(b) if so, for what reasons?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY:—" (a) & (b) A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP:—" In the statement it is stated, 'A sum of Rs. 18,225 was drawn from the Society's funds during the period from 13th September to 8th October 1954 for which no vouchers are forthcoming except for a sum of Rs. 910. When the District Supply Officer wanted to verify the cash balances the President evaded it by saying that the key of the safe was with the Secretary who was absent.' This long statement

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[a] **Printed as Appendix III on page 757 infra.**